Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 59577(49790) Application No. Art Unit Filing Date Examiner 09/250,340-Conf. #1943 February 16, 1999 H. M. Kazimi 3624 Applicant(s): Sia Y. Hei METHOD FOR CONDUCTING SECURE TRANSACTIONS OVER A DISTRIBUTED Invention: COMPUTING NETWORK TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After **Extra Claims** Previously Amendment Paid **Present Total Claims** 20 Х 1 Independent 1 3 Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 x Small Entity Large Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ ____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 04-1105 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: December 28, 2004 George N. Chaclas Attorney Reg. No.: 46,608 EDWARDS & ANGELL, LLP P.O. Box 55874 Boston, Massachusetts 02205

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